

National Transportation Safety Board
Washington, DC 20594

Brief of Accident

Adopted 08/31/1988

ATL87FA161A					
File No. 976	06/05/1987	ATLANTA, GA	Aircraft Reg No. N917FE	Time (Local): 06:44 EDT	
Make/Model:	CESSNA / 208B		Fatal	Serious	Minor/None
Engine Make/Model:	P&W / PT6A-114		Crew	0	1
Aircraft Damage:	Substantial		Pass	0	0
Number of Engines:	1				
Operating Certificate(s):	On-demand Air Taxi				
Name of Carrier:	MOUNTAIN AIR CARGO				
Type of Flight Operation:	Non-scheduled; Domestic; Cargo				
Reg. Flight Conducted Under:	Part 135: Air Taxi & Commuter				
Last Depart. Point:	Same as Accident/Incident Location		Condition of Light:	Dawn	
Destination:	ALBANY , GA		Weather Info Src:	Weather Observation Facility	
Airport Proximity:	On Airport		Basic Weather:	Visual Conditions	
Airport Name:	WMS.B HARTSFIELD ATL INTL		Lowest Ceiling:	None	
Runway Identification:	0		Visibility:	7.00 SM	
Runway Length/Width (Ft):	Unk/Nr		Wind Dir/Speed:	040 / 010 Kts	
Runway Surface:	Concrete		Temperature (°C):	20	
Runway Surface Condition:	Dry		Obstr to Vision:	None	
			Precipitation:	None	
Pilot-in-Command	Age: 46		Flight Time (Hours)		
Certificate(s)/Rating(s)			Total All Aircraft:	17000	
Airline Transport; Commercial; Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land			Last 90 Days:	140	
Instrument Ratings			Total Make/Model:	120	
Airplane			Total Instrument Time:	1150	

THE TWO ACFT COLLIDED ON A RAMP WHILE EACH WAS TAXIING TO RWY 8L FOR T/O. BOTH ACFT WERE AUTHORIZED BY ATC TO TAXI TO THE RWY; THE CESSNA WAS INSTRUCTED BY ATC TO FOLLOW THE BEECH. THE TWO ACFT WERE HDG IN THE SAME GENERAL DIRECTION ON CONVERGING PATHS WHEN THEY COLLIDED; THE RIGHT-REAR SIDE OF THE CESSNA FUSELAGE STRUCK THE BEECH LEFT-WING TIP. EXAMINATION OF THE IMPACT DAMAGE INDICATED THAT THE CESSNA WAS OVERTAKING THE BEECH WHEN THE COLLISION OCCURRED. THE BEECH PLT REPORTED SEEING THE CESSNA OVERTAKING HIM AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED MOMENTS BEFORE THE COLLISION. THE CESSNA PLT REPORTED THAT HE NEVER SAW THE BEECH PRIOR TO IMPACT. THE CESSNA WAS CONFIGURED FOR CARGO-CARRYING AND HAD NO WINDOWS INSTALLED AFT OF THE COCKPIT.

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Occurrence #1: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT

Phase of Operation: TAXI - TO TAKEOFF

Findings

1. OBJECT - AIRCRAFT MOVING ON GROUND
2. (C) INSTRUCTIONS, WRITTEN/VERBAL - NOT FOLLOWED - PILOT IN COMMAND
3. (C) VISUAL LOOKOUT - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Findings Legend: (C) = Cause, (F) = Factor

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident as follows.